"LO A VOICE FROM HEAVEN"

The Church of God Evangel

ALL NATIONS MATT. 28:19

EVERY CREATURE MARK. 16:15

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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Leaves Publishing for Pastorate

By E. L. Simmons

Twenty-nine years ago a Methodist minister by the name of S. W. Latimer, then a resident of Spring Place, Ga., came into the Church of God. Four years later he was ordained as Bishop, and in 1918 when a provision was made for the Council of Twelve to the General Overseer, Brother Latimer was chosen as a charter member of that body.

Brother Latimer served as overseer of the Church in North Carolina for three years, and overseer of Georgia for five years.

In the year 1924 Brother Latimer was chosen as pastor of the church at Cleveland, where he served until chosen as Editor and Publisher. He served only one year as Editor, at that time leaving that position to serve as General Overseer, a position in which he was called upon to serve after the death of F. J. Lee.

Brother Latimer served as General Overseer for seven years, during which time he traveled extensively in the United States and in our mission fields. During this time the Church enjoyed a one hundred per cent increase. Every department of the Church had a remarkable growth. The mission work in Haiti came in during his administration. In 1935 he returned to the office of Editor and Publisher, where he has remained until this past Assembly. He now leaves the office as Editor and Publisher to serve as pastor at Rome, Georgia, which is one of the best churches in Georgia.

Brother Latimer has had an exceedingly rich ministry in the Church of God. He has served in most every position of the Church and in his ministry and travels has made a multitude of friends. His work as a state overseer was a great success. Many are the experiences as state overseer, (and some that were not so pleasant), but the Lord helped him with all the problems that came before him, and the necessary adjustments were always satisfactorily made.

REV. S. W. LATIMER

Rome, you are fortunate! The church at Cleveland thinks your new pastor to be one of the best they have ever had. His record in visiting those who were sick or in need of help has been almost unparalleled. The present Editor will never forget the visits of Brother Latimer to his home while he was away in Palestine in 1929 and how that Brother Latimer rendered such valuable assistance during the serious illness of Sister Simmons. His kind and encouraging remarks were always comforting and helped the one who was ill to bear up under the strain of being seriously ill with her companion thousands of miles away.

Brother Latimer, we congratulate you on having such a nice body of people to work for and with. We are sure that you will enjoy your work with this great body of people, and when the year has passed and gone that Rome will go on record as having one of the greatest years in the history of the Church of God there.

The present management at the Evangel office bespeaks for Brother Latimer a great success in his new field of labor, and the prayers of the entire Evangel force will be behind him as he leaves the office for his work as pastor.

NOTICES

"To stir you up by putting you in remembrance," 2 Peter 1:13.

I have been appointed clerk of the Church of God at Pratt City, Ala. All those wishing to correspond with me may send my mail to the following address.—B. A. Cranswell, 112 4th Ave., Pratt City, Ala.

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The Church of God preachers' meeting for Kentucky will convene at Vicco, Ky. beginning Tuesday night, Oct. 24, and continuing through Wednesday, the 25th. Brother Walker or Brother Johnson will be with us. All Kentucky preachers be sure to attend.—B. L. Hicks, state overseer.

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NOTICE, WEST VIRGINIA MINISTERS

The ministers' meeting for West Virginia will be at the Beckley church November 2, 3. We will start at 1:00 p. m. the 2nd and try to finish by noon the 3rd so that each of you may return home that day.

All ministers are expected to attend this meeting, if possible, as we will plan our work for the year here.

All Sunday School and Y. P. E. secretaries, please make out your reports and send them to this meeting by your pastor. All of this month's reports go to Max L. Atkins, our new superintendent. He and Brother Blackwell have agreed on this.—M. P. Cross, overseer of West Virginia.

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To the Sunday Schools and Y. P. E's of Virginia: The Sunday School banner goes to Glamorgan on an increase of 58% over last month. This is the second time they have won the Sunday School banner this year.

The Y. P. E. banner goes to Cliffview on a 68% increase over last month. This is also the second time they have won the Y. P. E. banner this year.

We have had the Y. P. E. banner only eleven months and it has been on the New River district seven out of the eleven. Brother T. C. Wiggins is district overseer of the New River district and he is a real Y. P. E. booster. God, give us more men like him.—W. H. Ward, state Y. P. E. and S S. superintendent, Box 375, Pulaski, Va.

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If anyone knows the whereabouts of Sister Etta Newman, please drop me a card at once as it is important. Sister Newman, if you see this, please write me at once.—Mrs. H. J. Lloyd, Rt. 3, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

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I am leaving Colorado on or about Nov. 15, traveling south through the central states, N. Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee and Alabama. I'm not looking for a meal ticket or someone to take up an offering for me, nor have I the preacher's itch; I am seeking to help spread the gospel of Jesus Christ to the lost and the saved as well. It is my whole heart's desire to feed the flock with spiritual food from heaven and add souls to the kingdom of God, for I believe we are in the closing days of the Gentile dispensation. If in need of an old time revival, get in touch with me at my home address before Nov. 15. For reference I give S. J. Wood, state overseer, Box 1693, Hobbs, N. Mex. and R. M. Amrine, pastor

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We are now in a revival at the Church of God in Norfolk, Va. The church expects to broadcast over the air during this campaign. Please pray for the Church of God in Norfolk.—Russell Ford, evangelist.

IN APPRECIATION
Of Our Former Editor and Publisher

We, the Church of God Publishing House employees, wish to express our appreciation of our former Editor and Publisher, Brother S. W. Latimer. He not only served us as Editor and Publisher but as pastor of the North Cleveland church and General Overseer. He was our local pastor for four years, Editor and Publisher one year, General Overseer seven years, then Editor and Publisher again for four years. During all this time he has been so kind and good to us. We can't find words to express our appreciation. He has been a great blessing to us in many ways.

It has been very pleasant to have him with us and our prayer is that God will bless him as he goes on to serve the Church in a different field of labor. We are sure that those who are blessed with his services will appreciate his kindness, humility, sincerity, and deep knowledge of the Scriptures as we have for these past years.

We expect to cooperate with our new Editor and Publisher and work with him to the best of our ability, and we believe we will get along fine, but of course it is with sadness that we give up Brother Latimer. We will never forget the many blessings he has been to us.—Employees Church of God Publishing House.

Assembly Year Closing

All pastors and state overseers are expected to remain on their respective territories through Sunday, October 22nd, therefore will receive remuneration from their respective charges up to and including October 22nd.—*J. H. Walker, General Overseer.*

of the Church of God, 4676 Washington, Denver, Colo.—Evangelist Chas. D. Roberts, Rt. 3, Longmont, Colo.

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The clerk at Yazoo City, Miss. has been changed from Mrs. Taylor to Mrs. Annie Bell Carpenter.—C. W. Kendall, pastor, Yazoo City, Miss.

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SPECIAL NOTICE TO THE PREACHERS OF TENNESSEE

The state ministers' meeting for the state of Tennessee will be held at the new church at E. Chattanooga on Nov. 7-8. A special council to the state overseer is asked to meet on Monday, the 6th. This council is to be composed of B. L. Alford of Memphis, R. E. Blackwood of Nashville, E. E. Winters of Chattanooga, E. M. Tapley of Knoxville, and W. L. Wilemon of Kingsport.—John C. Jernigan, state overseer of Tennessee.

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Florida state ministers' meeting will begin Nov. 6, 7:30 p. m., at Tampa, Fla., 10th and Buffalo Sts. All ministers be present at the first service, if possible. We will close the meeting just as soon as we can get through with the business.—E. M. Ellis.

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I would like to get in touch with a young man, one who can read music well and direct a church choir. He must be a capable singer. I would prefer one who can play an instrument. For further information let them write to me. If there are any in or out of Bible School I would also appreciate their correspondence.—Jack Jones, 600 N. Beaver St., York, Pa.

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This is to let all Sunday Schools and Young People's Endeavors of Tennessee know that I have been duly appointed as your state superintendent for this year. Please send all October Sunday School and Y. P. E. reports, mailing immediately after your last service in this month. This is agreed upon by all concerned. If you do not have report cards, then make your reports to me on paper until I can send your report cards. You who read this please tell your secretaries. Let us all be on time and faithful. I am your servant. —Rev. T. F. Blackwell, 2501 Montgomery St., Cleveland, Tenn.

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To Our Evangel

May we from Durham, N. C. express to our paper and to the Church of God as a whole our appreciation for their great meeting at Atlanta, and the way our Brother E. W. Williams has been handling his ministers as he always looks to God for His hand of guidance. We thank God for him.

May we ask for the prayers from the Church and God's great blessings to our General Overseer, Brother Walker, and his splendid work.—C. W. Gregory, pastor, West Durham, N. C.; John W. Byrd, assistant.

The Great 34th Annual Assembly of The Church of God Is Now History

By J. H. WALKER, General Overseer

The Thirty-fourth Annual Assembly was the greatest in all the history of the Church. Inasmuch as we have several writers attempting to describe the glorious Assembly we have just enjoyed, I shall leave it with them for words fail me just now to tell of the glorious, marvelous, and most wonderful Assembly I have ever attended. I do know to my knowledge, that we had, by far, the largest attendance, and the most splendid order and reverence in the services in all the history of the Church. The music, the singing, the preaching, the programs, and the reports were wonderful. God gave us a most successful year last year, and we are so thankful for the gains made in every department of the Church.

The thousands of workers, ministers, and laity are returning to the field with a greater degree of enthusiasm and determination to do God's will than ever before.

The most wonderful unity we have ever known we have enjoyed during the Mission Board Meeting, the Council of Twelve, also the Bishops' Council and the General Assembly. Indeed, it has been the greatest and most wonderful I have ever known.

We certainly appreciate the wonderful blessings of God helping us in this great time when all the world is so perplexed with its various problems. The visitation of God's Holy Spirit in our midst was indeed a great and marvelous overshadowing of His presence which will guide us on through all perplexing problems that are to face us in these last days. When we think of the war-torn countries of Europe, and of the other parts of the world, where it looks as if it has been destroyed entirely, we thank God that we have found a peace that will last through an unending eternity. Praise God!

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Explanations on Recommendations From the Assembly

All exhorters are required to turn their certificates in to their respective state overseers and to make application on the regular questionnaire form, and send same to their state overseer for his files only.

Another, that the net cash proceeds above the necessary reserve from our Publishing interest, which includes the Church of God Publishing House, Tennessee Music and Printing Company, the Lighted Pathway, be applied on the indebtedness and needed improvements of the Church of God Bible Training School at Sevierville, Tennessee.

That members who are not loyal to Church teachings not be allowed to serve on official boards of local churches.

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Help us make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

This paper reserves the right to condense reports, testimonies, etc., to a conformity of a proper allowance of space.

EDITORIALS

The Present Editor and Publisher

In the general deliberations of the Annual Assembly, it pleased the body to place as Editor and Publisher for the ensuing year, Brother E. L. Simmons. Brother Simmons is one among the oldest bishops in the Church of God, not in age but in service. He became a minister of the Church of God when just a boy and has served the Church for twenty-six years. He has served as state overseer in several states and was very successful as an overseer. We are sure that his many friends will welcome him as their Editor and Publisher.

We bespeak for Brother Simmons a pleasant and successful year in his new field of service for the Church. We earnestly request that all the Church cooperate with him in making this one of the most successful years the Publishing House has ever had.

We are sure that all the force in the Publishing House will cheerfully cooperate with him in his tasks as Editor and Publisher.

This Publishing House belongs to the Church and every minister and member is a stockholder and it will be nothing but your duty to patronize the House. You can greatly aid the Editor and Publisher in making this year a successful one by patronizing the House in purchasing books, Bibles and other religious literature, and also in giving it your printing.

Come, let us all pull together for the Church and its best interest.

Brother Simmons is of a sunshiny disposition and has always made friends wherever he has served the Church and we are sure that God will bless him and make him a success in this new field of labor. He was overseer of Tennessee the past year and we worked harmoniously together and our association was pleasant. I am sure he will still make other friends in his further efforts to serve the Church.

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Joy in Service

I have always enjoyed my work as an official in the Church. When I was state overseer it was a great delight to me to travel and preach and encourage the people. I enjoyed my work as General Overseer, traveling and preaching and mixing with the people. The inspiration that I received was uplifting and educational. When I was Editor and Publisher I took a great delight in the work. I tried to keep the Evangel true to the doctrines of the Church, and I feel that it has been a blessing to thousands. Many letters of appreciation have come to my desk, of divine healing and other spiritual blessings from the reading of the Evangel.

I enjoyed most the compiling of the Sunday School literature. It kept me busy searching for truths in order to make the literature what it should be. Our Teacher's Quarterly, we feel sure, was ample for the teachers.

All told, it has been a great blessing to me to serve the Church in the capacity of Editor. My association with the hands has been very pleasant and there will always remain in my mind fond memories of this work.

I wish to thank all the people on the field who have made it possible for this work to prosper. Praying that God will bless each of you for your efforts and that you will continue to support and and stand by the work here, I promise that I will be "somewhere working for my Lord."

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Special Notice

The editorials for this week are by Brother Latimer. The new Editor and Publisher will take over his duties in full in the next issue.

Glad I Can Report Victory

INEZ, Ky. — Dear Evangel readers, words cannot express how much I appreciate the Evangel. When I am discouraged and the devil is fighting me on every hand, I can read the testimonies of God's children through the Evangel and it gives me courage to go on with the Lord.

I thank and praise the Lord for what He means to me. I am very happy because I have been saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and added to the grand old Church of God. I have felt the call of God to preach His Word. I am so glad I can report victory in spite of all the devil can do.

I earnestly covet the prayers of all of God's children that He will give us a church here at Inez, Ky. We are in a new field and the devil is fighting on every hand to down this Holy Ghost way. There is just about four or five here who have the Holy Ghost and we are trusting God for help. Anyone who feels led, come over and help us. We are depending on Jesus because He said He would never leave us nor forsake us. Praise His dear name.

I feel the coming of the Lord is near and I want to be ready at any time He should make His appearance. I sometimes get homesick for heaven, for I know it will be a beautiful place for those who love and serve God. Pray for me that I'll always be found sitting at the feet of Jesus.—Miss Elizabeth Boothe.

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Appreciated Anointed Cloth

WEDOWEE, Ala. — Dear sisters, brothers and friends, I thank and appreciate the anointed cloth which was sent me through the mail. I can feel that someone is praying for me. The Lord has touched my eyes and head and they are so much better. I am gaining health every day. Glory to His name. My afflicted hand is still crippled. I want you dear saints to get me on your heart and pray the prayer of faith that I may be healed in Jesus' dear name. I am glad this morning I am still saved and on victory's side. By the grace and help of God I am determined to make heaven my home. I know the Lord can heal because He has kept us this far. He has healed me of T. B. and heart trouble and I know there is nothing too hard for Jesus to do. Pray hard for me. Some of my folks and friends who see my hand say if I am healed in Jesus' name they will believe and come this way. Glory to His precious name!—Essie T. Wilkinson, Rt. 1.

BIBLE SCHOOL ECHOES

"Study to show thyself approved unto God," 2 Tim. 2:15.

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The PERRY-SCOPE

Treasures—New and old From Far and Near

Conducted by SAM C. PERRY, 52 N. W. 35th St., Miami, Fla.

What the Christian Learns

The story is related of a Japanese Christian who was asked what he considered that his fellow countrymen learned when they became Christians. He answered, *"Love and brotherhood."* It is only when men and women become Christians that they realize the joy of helping others and of being helped by them without any other motive than that of love.

A devout young Buddhist carpenter was greatly attracted by the Christian religion and began to go to church. He was bewildered by the service at first and could not understand how to find the hymns which everyone seemed to be singing. To his surprise his neighbor, a complete stranger, after bowing and smiling at him, took his book and helped him to follow the service. He liked the teaching and he liked the atmosphere of good fellowship in which he found himself, and he came again and again. Then he thought that so much kindness must surely call for a return and he consulted a Christian friend as to what presents he ought to give to his new friends and how he could distinguish between them, when all had been so kind. He was astonished to hear that no presents were needed, that love and kindness to strangers was the rule of the Christian religion, and that if he were in trouble they would all pray for him and help him as much as they could. He said that it was very different from Buddhism; if he was in need and asked the priest to pray for him, he gave him one yen and he said a short prayer. If he needed much help he gave him five yen and he said a longer prayer, but if he was in really great distress and needed long and earnest prayer, he would have to give twenty, fifty or a hundred yen. "But those Christians," he said, "seem willing to give their prayers and their help without looking for any reward."

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Sunday School Declining

The following statements are published in *Public Opinion*, England: "During the past year the loss of Sunday School scholars in every community has been appalling," says Mr. R. Wilson Black.

"The Baptists lost 16,000 scholars, the Congregationalists 23,000, the Methodists 66,000 and the Church of England 82,000.

"If this rate of loss continues there will not be a Sunday School scholar in the land at the end of twenty-five years."

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When the Lord intends to lift His servants into a higher stage of spiritual life, He frequently sends them a severe trial. He makes His Jacobs to be prevailing princes, but He confers the honor after a night of wrestling and accompanies it with a shrunken sinew.—*Spurgeon.*

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Salvation From Sin

The salvation provided by the gospel is salvation from sin. Men need to be saved because they are sinners. There is no other reason at all why the gospel should ever have been sent into this world. The world was lost and it was lost because sin was here. And the gospel saves from sin.

It is evident, therefore, that the gospel has been made necessary because of sin. If there had been no sin, there would have been no gospel. But sin came and the human race was lost. And, therefore, the gospel was introduced that men might be saved from sin and destruction. God in His infinite mercy made a way of escape for lost men, and that way of escape is the gospel.—*Sel.*

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Waiting For Other Funerals

Those who join in this inhuman Anti-Semetic persecution would do well to remember that the Jews have been present at the funeral of every nation at whose hand they have been oppressed. They were present at the funeral of Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Rome, Greece, Persia and Spain. They are now waiting to attend the funeral of Germany, Italy and other powers which have been most active in abusing them.—*Palestine News.*

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The man who wishes to be a knocker needs neither brains nor education.

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"Some people not only want their religion free, but they want the preacher to deliver it to their homes."

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Sinning Saints

It is said that young automobile drivers are responsible for the death of three times as many people as older drivers. The same authority said, "If through driving education in the schools, young drivers' accident records could be brought to a level with the records of their elders, more than 8,000 lives could be saved in the coming year."

Night driving and excessive speed possibly figure in most accidents. And in both of these characteristics young people are prominent. But they are not alone in this fault. Many who are older constantly break the speed laws. If the younger are to observe the laws on this line the older should at least set them a good example.

Christians are bound by the Word of God to obey the laws of the land. But holding the wheel of a speedy car seems to infect many saints of the Lord with the obsession that they must make a record on every trip. The true believer who is abiding in God's covenant of safety has promises which specially cover his "going out and coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore." But remember, that they are keenly conditioned on obedience, as all divine promises. To the Christian driver it may not be said, in a special sense, "He that believeth shall not make haste."

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The Yoke of Christ

Let not the name of yoke terrify you, for it is the yoke of Christ, and He helps you bear it; He inspires you to love it; He makes it dear to you by inward charms of righteousness and truth. He gives a disgust for false pleasures, and renders the practices of holy living delightful. He supports man against himself, frees him from his original corruption, and renders him strong notwithstanding his weakness. You suffer, but you shall suffer with inward love and peace. You fight, but you shall gain the victory, and God Himself shall fight for you, and reward you with success. You weep but your tears will be pleasing, and God Himself shall wipe them from your eyes.

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Little Sins

Little sins are pioneers to hell. The backslider begins with what he foolishly considers trifling with little sins; there are no little sins; there was a time when all the evil that has existed in the world, was comprehended in one sinful thought; and all the evil in the world now is the numerous offspring of one little sin.

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You prove that religion has done something for you by doing something for somebody else.

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You best care for your interests in time, when you first care for the interests of eternity.

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"Some people think a thirty-minute sermon is too long, so they substitute a six hundred column Sunday paper."

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"Hypocrisy desires to *seem* good rather than be so; honesty desires *to be* good rather than seem so."

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"Sorrow, disaster, suffering, are often God's angels leading us to cast ourselves upon Christ with an abandon which brings us to know His power and love, and that knowledge is more to be desired than any other thing in life."

My Impression of the Bishops' Council

PAUL H. WALKER

Monday morning, eight o'clock, Oct. 9 marked the opening of the Council of Bishops of the Church of God just prior to the General Assembly. It was one of the most wonderful openings that I have ever witnessed because there was the greatest number of bishops present, who had come from far and near from all over the United States and foreign lands. Praise the Lord.

DISCUSSIONS

During the deliberations, on the matters of business that came before the Council, there was the sweetest spirit. The debates were carried on with respect and due consideration to the other speakers. Where a speaker felt he might have hurt someone by being too hasty in what he had said, you would soon hear him asking permission to recall his statement. This wonderful attitude on the part of the bishops was well pleasing to the Lord and His Spirit and power were witnessed in every session.

A NEW CHAPTER WRITTEN

I have been attending the Bishops' Council for many years, have witnessed many debates and measures discussed, have seen the election of hundreds of officials during these many years, but never before have I witnessed a smoother running Council during all these years. Surely it marks a new and the greatest chapter in the history of the Bishops' Council. I am sure all the bishops agree to this. I still feel the divine touch that was felt so many times in meetings. Men, who even received the highest vote which would bring them into general positions, after they had prayed and really got the mind of the Lord in the matter, would submit their resignations to the Council that had elected them, stating how they appreciated the vote and confidence the Council had in them, and that they wanted to be in God's order and asked that others be considered who had received a lower vote. Never before had this ever been done in the Council, but God honored it and at different times the entire body would be brought to tears, and again the auditorium would ring with the shouting and singing of that great crowd of bishops. It will be a time of refreshing for those in time to come who read the NEW CHAPTER in the history of the thirty-fourth annual Bishops' Council.

The Bishops' Council as I Saw It

BY U. D. TIDWELL

The bishops began to assemble in the lobby of the auditorium in the city of Atlanta early Monday morning, October 9, 1939, and they were soon wending their way up the stairs to the large hall where the first sessions of the Council were held. A fine looking body of men were they. Their faces were beaming with earnestness and religious fervor. Many marks of intelligence were exemplified in their speeches and general deportment. Great interest was manifested throughout the session, and the "best unity, love, and fellowship" the writer ever witnessed in fifteen years of experience in these meetings.

Great respect was shown for each others' views and ideas. Brotherly kindness was certainly manifested and the Spirit and presence of Him who said, "Upon this Rock I will build my Church," was in our midst, of a truth. And again, one beholding would be made to say, "Behold, how they love one another."

To watch the moderator in that meek, gentle, yet able manner in which he conducted the business of the Council, one could readily see that our God is with him and surely the anointing of the Lord is upon him to fill the position which he holds.

The Assistant General Overseer was right at his post of duty like a crutch under the arms of the General Overseer, ready to faithfully perform his duty. To the Bible reader he would be to the General Overseer what Abner was to Saul, or what Joab was to David—a mighty man, a great warrior, an armorbearer. Oh, hallelujah! Surely old Satan trembles at such a "set-up," such fearless leaders, followed by an unexcelled, organized, trained, holy army of consecrated soldiers of the cross. No wonder the Church of God is growing, moving, surging on with such speed and progress. The spirit of unity and love for Christ, for each other and for the lost world motivates these men.

The Spirit of the Lord was manifested in each session of the Council, which was an important factor in helping us to finish all the business in time for the Assembly. And, it seems that the bishops were greatly encouraged to face the battle for the ensuing year.

I Know What Jesus Means

FERNDALE, Fla.—I praise God for what He means to me. One day He saved me, sanctified me by His precious blood and gave me the Holy Ghost. When He gave me the Holy Ghost He burdened my heart for lost souls. I am never happier than when I am telling someone about Jesus. He has done so much for me. He has healed me so many times. After doctors had given me up He came on the scene, praise His name. He also healed my family. I have a large family so I know what Jesus means.

I have been in the good holiness way only about four years. I only wish I could have understood this way before. If I were to praise Him the rest of my life without stopping I couldn't praise Him enough for what He has done. Two of my girls are saved and sanctified. The way grows sweeter every day. I wouldn't exchange my salvation for all the world. When I read the dear old Evangel it's truly food to my soul.

Please pray for me to hold out faithful and for my family to all be saved and be ready to go when Jesus comes or calls. Please pray for my husband's family to be saved before it is too late. Four of my children are members of the Church of God, the others are seeking.—Mrs. Pearl Gause.

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Praise God For His Healing Power

YORK, S. C.—I praise the Lord for what He has done for me. I promised the Lord if He would heal me of a bruised place on my leg that looked as if it was going to be very serious, I would testify of it. Praise God, it is almost gone.

I also promised to testify of the healing of my little girl. One night she had a high fever. She could not rest. The Lord spoke to me and said, "Pray," which I did, and glory to God, she went to sleep and slept all night.

Dear saints, I am saved and sanctified. I always have believed in divine healing for I have been healed by the help of the Lord. I was healed when I was very near death's door three years ago. I was a sinner. My little girl was four days old. I was in a serious condition. The Lord told me I was going to die if I didn't get someone to pray for me. I was so weak I could hardly pray. I called my mother, who is a member of the Church of God, and told her I was going to die, to get someone to pray for me. She got some saints. They came and prayed and I began to get better. Dear saints, I could feel myself going out to meet God, and where would I have gone? I wish I could write and let everyone know about that healing, for I want every child of God to pray for my unsaved loved ones, and pray for me to receive the Holy Ghost.—Della Merritt.

Some Impressions of the General Assembly

BY J. H. INGRAM

It has been my privilege to attend eighteen out of the last twenty General Assemblies, and in saying that this was the biggest and best Assembly as yet, I fully believe I am expressing the sentiments of every one present. It was marvelous to see how God blessed during the Bishops' Council and to note the unity that prevailed among the brethren as they discussed various items of business. It could be noted also, with pleasure, that the anointing of the Spirit rested upon each of the speakers in a great measure during the Assembly.

Looking back at the financial depression through which we have been passing, we should feel very grateful to God for the way He has blessed in every department of the Church. It would take too much time and space to tell of just how the work has grown, as affects our publishing interest, the Bible Training School, our orphanage work, foreign missions, etc.

Having been connected with the foreign department for a number of years, it has been my happy privilege to carry this Church of God testimony personally into every one of the forty-eight American states and sixty foreign countries and colonies, reaching around the world in both directions, and we are very thankful to God who has stood by us so graciously. Neither should we overlook the sacrifices made by the brethren at home who have prayed and given largely to help this cause. As for the results obtained, the work of the Church in our foreign mission fields has spread around the world in such a manner that we may now say the sun never sets upon the movement. In other words, the Church of God as we know it has no rising nor setting of the sun as far as her work and mission to the world is concerned, and we are so very thankful to Jesus, the "Sun of righteousness," who has risen "with healing in His wings." It is He who has helped us to put over this great foreign mission program along with the work in the homeland.

The General Assembly expresses in a large measure the interest and the spirit of the Church at large. We certainly appreciate what God has done for us in making it possible to hold this great Assembly which was more than a success, if we may speak of it in those terms. And we also appreciate the way our ministers and officials have cooperated and for the kindness and hospitality shown us by the city of Atlanta. The way the interest is increasing at our General Assemblies, it is only a matter of time until we will be unable to find a suitable meeting place for these great annual feasts and entertainment for those in attendance. But if we are true to God we know that, according to His Word, it won't be long until we shall be privileged to gather together in the great assembly in the skies and I am sure there will be room for all when we get up there, so then let us be faithful to Him who has made all this possible and may we take advantage of the new zeal and encouragement that we have received during this 34th Annual Assembly that now is important history, as far as we are concerned.

Keeps Us Sweet in Our Souls

WINNSBORO, S. C.—I praise the Lord so much for what He means to me. We have so much to praise Him for. Praise His dear name! We praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying us with His precious blood and giving us the sweet Holy Ghost and for keeping us sweet in our souls. We thank the Lord for hearing our prayers. Not long ago the mill at which husband and I worked the third shift stopped the third shift. We told the Lord if He would give husband work we would testify of it. Oh, the Lord heard our prayers and in a few days he had work. How we do praise the Lord for it.

I desire the prayers of all that I will be more consecrated to the Lord and have more faith to trust Him for my body as I am not well in body. I ask an interest in your prayers that my husband will give his heart to the Lord and be saved before it is too late, that we will be able to teach our two children the right way. Please pray a special prayer for me that I will overcome the greatest temptation that has ever come before me in all my Christian experience.

I thank the Lord for the church here at Winnsboro and our good pastor, Brother Craven. The good people all seem to be as one.—Mrs. Ethel Quinton, Rt. 2.

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He Will Go With Us All the Way

"Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace."—Job 22:21.

Words fail to express the appreciation I feel this morning for the great and wonderful peace God has given me in my soul. As the nations of this earth are troubled and there is fear and unrest among people, it makes me more grateful to know I am serving a Captain who has never lost a battle, One who doesn't know defeat, so why should I fear what man might do to me. I know I have a better home awaiting me after this life. I praise God for the way He so mercifully spared my life a few nights ago when inflammation set up and was spreading over my entire body. I knew I was dying, and oh, how hard to leave my husband and seven small children when they needed me so, but after I prayed earnestly to God to spare my life He wiped the tears from my eyes. No more did I feel like crying. Oh, thank God, He will surely go with us all the way.

I sent for Brother W. L. Brown, our pastor, to pray. He came and prayed and told me he felt assured God wasn't going to take me, but I still felt as if I was surely going. Then in a moment of time, without getting any better, God gave me the assurance I was going to live to do a work for Him that He very definitely called me into when I was fourteen years old.

I am gaining and feeling better every day now. Please pray that I will always do the little things God would have me do, and bring up my children in a way that will please my Savior who has done so much for me. Also pray for the work at Clewiston. We surely appreciate our good pastor and his wife.—Mrs. L. C. Westberry, Clewiston, Fla.

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God Hears and Answers Prayer

CENTER HILL, Fla.—I truly thank the Lord for saving, sanctifying and filling me with heaven's sweet Holy Ghost. I praise Him for His great healing power. About two months ago our baby took a very bad cold. I did everything I could for her and she didn't get any better. Then we took her to a doctor. It seemed she got worse. She coughed so badly at night until we couldn't sleep.

One night my husband said, "Let's pray for her." Praise God, when we called on Him He relieved the cough. I promised God if He would heal her I would testify of it and He has wonderfully healed her.

Saints of God everywhere, please pray for me as I have just been in the church about seven or eight months. Pray that I will ever stand true and do what the Master would have me do and be ready when He comes or calls. — Mrs. Coy Black.

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Letter of Praise

Dear Evangel readers, I praise the Lord for the opportunity of being a witness for Him. I am glad that I have been saved by His precious blood. He has sanctified me and filled me with the Holy Ghost. I am not a member of the Church of God but I hope to be some day. Some members gave me some Evangels to read and wrote me encouraging letters and I was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost at home.

I have been sick a long time and unable to go to church very much. Please pray for me that the Lord will heal my body and keep me close to Him.—John Morgan, Rt. 1, Box 308, Candler, N. C.

The 34th Annual Assembly of The Church of G

THE 34th Annual Assembly has come and gone but its great blessings will long linger in the memory of all those who attended this great feast of spiritual things. All the afternoon of Sunday, Oct. 8, the Church of God bishops were pouring into Atlanta and on Monday morning at nine o'clock the council opened with approximately 300 bishops in attendance. From the very beginning it was evident that the presence of the Lord was with us. Questions that came before the house were discussed in the spirit of love and fellowship and always closed in perfect harmony.

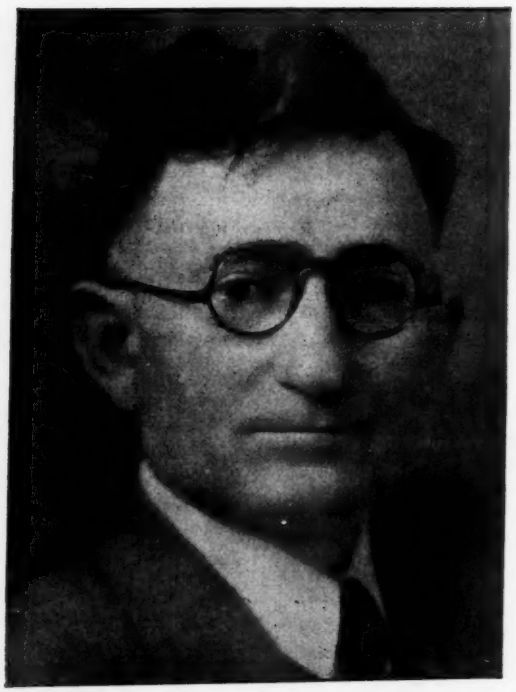
The progress of the Church in the past has been very gratifying and it is with great consolation that we take a retrospective view of its history, but all feel sure that the opportunities that lie before us are far greater than those of the past.

The general officials of the Church for the coming year are looking out upon the future with great confidence, very little change having been made. These officials were nominated by the Bishops' Council and placed before the Assembly in session and unanimously elected.

J. H. WALKER, *General Overseer*

GENERAL OVERSEER

The Rev. J. H. Walker was again chosen as General Overseer. He is forty years of age and has been a minister in the Church of God since he was a boy. His services to the Church as Superintendent of Education and General Overseer have been very satisfactory and it is believed that the Church has been placed on a very sound, systematic basis. We feel sure that under his leadership the Church will enjoy even greater progress this year than in the past.



E. J. BOEHMER, *General Secretary-Treasurer*

ASSISTANT GENERAL OVERSEER

Rev. R. P. Johnson was again chosen as Assistant General Overseer. He is fifty-three years of age. He was ordained bishop in the year 1919. He has had a very rich ministry with the Church, serving as pastor, district overseer, state overseer, Editor and Publisher, and as Assistant General Overseer, the office in which he now succeeds himself.

GENERAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

The Rev. E. J. Boehmer was again chosen to succeed himself as General Secretary and Treasurer of the Church. He is fifty-eight years of age. He is the oldest in office of any general official, being the only General Secretary and Treasurer the Church has ever had. As far as we know his records have never been questioned. He is loved by all the ministry and laity of the Church.

SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

Rev. Zeno C. Tharp, who also began his ministry in the Church as a boy, was elected

ZENO C. THARP, *Superintende*

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R. P. JOHNSON, *Assistant General Overseer*

covet the prayers of all the saints, that all of their activities in the administration of that office to which they have been elected will be directed by the Spirit of God.

THE OUTLOOK FOR THE CHURCH

After having attended the 34th Annual Assembly, I am sure that there is little doubt left in the minds of any of those who attended that the Church of God has the greatest opportunity for progress lying before it that it has ever had. It seemed that the ministry as well as the laymen who attended had a holy zeal, fervor and enthusiasm that has not been displayed in former Assemblies.

Our mission work was represented by a larger number of delegates than ever before. Bolivar DeSouza of the Republic of Panama and a group of twelve delegates from Mexico were present. Fred W. Litton and wife of Hawaii were present. John P. Kluzit and wife of Haiti and W. R. Franks of the Bahamas were also present.

It would seem from the missionary representatives and from the zeal manifested by our people in the mission work, that this will be the greatest year of all times for missions.

There was no less interest shown in the Bible School and orphanage programs which were given in the Assembly with great success.

After all has been said, it certainly remains that the Church of God has an open door and now is the time for an acceptance of the opportunities afforded.

Superintendent of Education

to succeed himself as General Superintendent of Education. Brother Tharp is forty-three years of age. He attended the Bible School in the years of 1921 and 1922 and graduated from that school. He had the distinction of pastoring two of the largest churches in the movement and made a great success at both of them. He was chosen to the office of Superintendent of Education in 1935, which office he has held since that time.

EDITOR AND PUBLISHER

E. L. Simmons was chosen as Editor and Publisher. He is forty-six years of age. He succeeds the Rev. S. W. Latimer who leaves the office to pastor the church at Rome, Ga., which is one of the largest and best churches in that state. Coincidently the new Editor was licensed to preach the same year as Brother Latimer, 1914. The new Editor has served the Church during these twenty-five years as foreign missionary, evangelist, pastor, district overseer, and state overseer. His success as an Editor remains to be proven. It is, however, his earnest desire to justify all the confidence that the Church of God has placed in him and to make good both as an Editor and business manager of the Church of God Publishing House.

Each of these general officials earnestly

E. L. SIMMONS, *Editor and Publisher*

News From the Mission Field

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," Mark 16:15.

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary of Mission Board

Bolivar DeSouza, Overseer of Panama, and wife

It was with great pleasure we visited our great Annual Assembly of the Church of God. On my arrival at Cleveland, Tenn., our Church Headquarters, I met the employees, who greeted me with such love that I pondered in my heart if there was any organization in the world as the Church of God.

Then the shadow of evening stretched forth herself. I was taken to the Assistant General Overseer's home by his son, Robert, where I was treated with much kindness. The next morning we journeyed to the Municipal Auditorium in Atlanta, Ga. where our convention was held. The atmosphere was one that I never experienced in my Christian life. Many instances I met groups of Christians and they would cry and tears would just drop from their cheeks as they spoke in tongues. Oh glory to God! for the Church of God. Then I had the pleasure of meeting our beloved General Overseer and his assistant, also Brother Tharp, our secretary of the Mission Board, and several others, whom it would be impossible to mention. I owe a great debt to the Church of God for helping me to come to the great Assembly. I am returning to the field with more power to preach the old time gospel. God bless the Church of God!—Bolivar DeSouza, overseer of Panama.

The Church of God in Barbados, B. W. I.

Dear Evangel family, I am glad to say the work of God here keeps moving on. Sunday, Sept. 3, was a day of rich blessings. At seven o'clock in the morning a bus load of people from Airy Cot, St. Thomas, arrived at Brandons Beach where a baptismal service had been arranged. Eleven precious souls were buried in baptism and then proceeded to the Eckstein church where a reception service was kept. Twenty-four were received into fellowship, all from Airy Cot. This is our latest opening, the meeting room at Airy Cot having been dedicated on July 9. God is blessing at this new church, and now with a church set in order with twenty-four active members we are looking for still greater victories. Dear ones, pray for Airy Cot.

I am glad to say that revivals seem to be in the air and good reports keep coming in of large crowds and souls being saved. To God be all the glory.—J. B. Winter, assistant overseer.

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Mission Service in Barbados, B.W.I.

RIVER ROAD, St. Michael, Barbados, B. W. I.—July 16 and 17 were set apart for the observance of missionary day and the annual missionary meeting respectively of the church at River Road, Barbados. The remarkable grace and power of these meetings were such as have not been experienced among us for at least twelve years.

For missionary day Pastor Tucker of the Stephen Evangelistic mission had been invited to give the address. Elder Adams and the church in his care were also invited to join in the function. The meeting began at 11:15 a. m. or thereabout, and after the preliminary spiritual exercises of prayer and praise and the reading of the Word Pastor Tucker brought the message. He clearly, convincingly and blessedly showed from the Word the part the pastor, workers and coworkers, Sunday School teachers, open-air workers and women's missionary band must play in God's great missionary plan of saving the sinners and building a temple in which He will dwell forever. The message lasted for nearly one and a half hours after which was an altar call to which there was a whole-hearted response, souls being mightily blessed. Following the altar call was a series of testimonies to the blessings received from the message.

About 2:00 p. m. when we were nearing the close then it was that Elder Adams and the church with him arrived. A service immediately followed at which Pastor Knight, followed by Elder Adams, delivered a very helpful address, supporting the previous speakers. That Sunday our meeting closed at 4:30 p. m. God had wonderfuly blessed us. One could feel that "the waters of blessing" were rising.

The missionary meeting held on the following night (Monday, Sept. 17) will perhaps mark a new crisis in the history of the church. It is most difficult to satisfactorily describe what the Lord did among us. First of all the two principal speakers did not arrive, they being hindered by unforeseen circumstances. Secondly, all the speakers (three) were women evangelists, two Americans and one a native. The Lord so mightily honored His

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BRIEF REPORTS

"A good report maketh the bones fat," Prov. 15:30.

Workers For Jesus

"The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few."

We truly praise God for the few who have answered the Macedonian call. Our hearts are made to rejoice to know these few realize we have only a short time to work for our Master and must work while it is yet day.

A few weeks ago exhorter's license were given to Brother Hollis B. Braswell and Sister Pauline Roach. After receiving papers each of these God-loving and God-fearing workers began revivals in separate sections where the true gospel had not reached. God set His seal of approval on each by blessing in a wonderful way. No definite record was kept but many found Jesus. Some were sanctified, others filled with the Holy Ghost, also wonderful healings are reported. This brother and sister have begun a revival in still another section where full doctrine has never reached. Poor misguided souls sit for hours spellbound and in reverence to God's wonderful Word and manifestation. They openly express their love and interest for the full gospel. There is much conviction present, yet they won't claim God's gift as their own.

Please let us pray much for poor lost souls, also those who are bearing the wonderful messages of Jesus' love and His power to save.—Mrs. L. A. Duran, Buford, Ga.

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Victory Over Sin

EDGEFIELD, S. C.—I am glad to report victory over sin. We have trials and suffering to endure here in this life, but I am glad to know there is One who is ready to help us bear it, who is Christ Jesus. Praise His good name. I have a great determination in my heart to go all the way with Him. My desire is to do all I can to help carry on the work here. It seems that the people get careless and unconcerned about helping to carry on the Lord's work in our little church which God has blessed us with. The building is a little over a year old. Please pray much for the work here. Pray that each member will be more consecrated to God and His Church. Pray for our pastor and his family whom we all love. May God help him in his work. Pray that souls will be stirred and waked from their careless sleep.—Mrs. Pearl Godbee, clerk.

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Will Mean Much to Be Ready

NOKOMIS, Fla. — I praise the dear Lord, He means much to me. I am only saved and sanctified, but am tarrying for the sweet Holy Ghost. The devil tempts me and tells me there isn't anything to salvation. I want more love and grace to overcome him. I know salvation is real and I want to go to heaven, regardless of the price, and, dear ones, if you have ever prayed, pray for me, and pray for my loved ones to be saved. Pray especially for my sister. She is saved and sanctified and seeking for the Holy Ghost. We want a deeper experience with the dear Lord and I don't believe the dear Savior will tarry much longer, and surely we want all the dear Lord has in store for us. We want to live a life that others can see Jesus in our lives. We don't want to be a stumbling block, we want to be an upbuilding. Oh, how we love the dear Lord. Please pray for us that we will be filled with the blessings of God. I know it will mean much to be ready when Jesus comes. We want to miss the troubles and tribulations that are coming upon this world. I could tell and keep telling it but never can tell how good the Lord is to us. I just want to get so close that no evil will come near.

Please get this place on your heart and pray that we can have a church established here. We have a little building but not enough members to organize. Pray that God will work on some good Holy-Ghost-filled preacher and send him here for a revival. I feel like we need a revival here now. Of course, this is a hard place, but, dear brother, that is the kind of place to go. There are souls here that want God, so if God puts it on your heart to come, don't be afraid to come. Please pray a special prayer for my body to be healed. God knows all about it. I want the Lord to have His way in my life. I want to be a soul winner and overcomer and be ready any hour. — Two sisters who love the Lord, Dovie Dempsey and Mrs. J. E. Boone, Venice, Fla.

Means More to Be Faithful to the End

HOPE MILLS, N. C. — Greetings. I praise the Lord for what He means to me. I am glad today finds me in Him. I desire prayer that I will press onward. I truly want to reach the goal. I know it means lots to make a start for the Lord, but more to be faithful to the end of the way. I do want to make the run successfully. I have problems that I don't know how to solve, but Jesus knows how and I afterwards. I really desire prayer that the Lord will direct me in the way He sees best for without Him we are nothing. I felt it good to send in a request for prayer. I know prayer changes things. I also know the Lord will not turn us away when we pray in the right attitude.

I would like to mention too the revival that has just closed here. It surely was a great build up. Much good was done, I know. It was a great blessing to me. The Lord was surely with us. The series of meetings was conducted by Brother and Sister Jimmie Frazier. I truly believe they are people of God. We enjoyed their singing too. They are good evangelist workers. May the Lord bless each one who is willing to swing out and work their calling.

We also thank the Lord for our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister W. E. Feltman. They have done much good here at this place. We sincerely want the Lord to bless them in their every effort wherever the Lord sees fit to use them, as they have surely been a blessing to souls here at Hope Mills. Brother Feltman has been busy working on the new tabernacle in Fayetteville, N. C. which will soon be ready for services. He has had good coworkers who have stood by him in that work, so let's pray that the Church of God will go over the top in Fayetteville. Many are interested in seeing the work established there.

Please pray for me to ever be in the will of the Lord and be ready when Jesus comes. Also pray for me that I will be completely healed and able to be employed again soon as I have dependent children who need my financial service. — Mrs. Ethel Thornton.

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Want to Get Closer to God

ONEONTA, Ala.—As I sit here this morning thinking of the good things God is doing for us and the wonderful plan of salvation and His great love for the lost world, and again as I think of the condition of the world and how people go on in sin, it makes me want to get closer to God and do more for Him than ever before. I need your prayers that I may be in the center of God's will at all times.

I don't get to go to church much, as I live quite a distance from church, and my health isn't good, so I ask you to please pray for the healing of my body. I have asthma and suffer so much with it, it seems like sometimes I can't live. I know God can heal and I am trusting Him for my body. Please pray earnestly for me that God will heal me and give me more faith.—Mrs. Victory Allen, Rt. 2.

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PAW CREEK, N. C. — We closed a month's singing school with our commencement program last Saturday, Sept. 23. We had with us Harry Hatcher, whom we believe to be one of the best singing teachers in the Church. He has made a great improvement in the choir. In fact, I believe he has made it one of the best in the state of North Carolina.—Roland Verrico, pastor.

REVIVALS

"O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years," Hab. 3:2.

DORCHESTER, Tex.—We have just closed a three weeks' revival with Brother Hamilton of Wichita Falls in charge. He surely is a good and faithful preacher, on fire for God. We had prayer meeting at Ethell a few nights. Two were reclaimed and one received the Holy Ghost. The enemy began to work so we moved back to the home of Virgil Easley where the power of God came down and really blessed our souls. One was sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost and five baptized in water. They sent word for us to come to Range Creek schoolhouse and preach under the shed.

One night as Brother Hamilton was preaching on "Signs Following the Believer" a little child was taken very sick. Brother Hamilton said, "Sister, God can heal your baby." At first she carried it out and washed its face. By that time someone came for its father to carry another little boy, who cut his foot, to a doctor. The mother came back with the child to be prayed for and God wonderfully healed it. After a few nights there we moved to Wall Street where we held our first meeting seven years ago. The meeting closed with many hungry hearts seeking God and many shouting the victory. Our district pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Oscar Davis, were with us the last Sunday and Sunday night. Sister Davis brought a message on "The Church." Brother Davis set a church in order with twelve members with others to follow later.

We have bought a church building, moving it to Gunter where the town gave us a lot and donated money for the building. We also have a fine Willing Workers Band started. I ask the prayers of everyone that God will bless this new church, that He will heal Brother Easley's body and help us to be able to lead the lost to God and obey His Word.—Virgil and Ellen Easley.

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GARNER, Tex.—We have just closed a revival at the Church of God at Advance, Tex. Two were sanctified and two saved. We enjoyed the good preaching and were glad of the souls that were saved. Brother Harvey Weathersby did the preaching. He really gave out the good Word of God. People will sit and listen at the Word of God preached and never make a move for God. Their hearts have been hardened until they don't feel the love of God any more, but praise His holy name, I am glad one day I listened to Him and came down humble at Jesus' feet. My prayer is, O Lord, keep me humble; let me ever hold to your unchanging hand. I thank Him for keeping me until I was led to know the true way of the Lord. I love the dear old Church of God teachings. We are living in a time when we will have to watch and pray. It seems there is evil on every hand—war in many places, taking out many souls. It may not be long till we can't lie down and rest at night. The enemy is not far away. If ever Christians needed to work it is now. May God bless and keep those who are in His care, and may the lost who are in sin wake up. May God keep His people on their knees praying.—Mrs. Eddie Dumis, clerk.

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NETTLETON, Ark. — The Marked Tree fellowship meeting was held at Nettleton Church of God Aug. 20. The Lord surely blessed. Brother Henry, our esteemed state overseer, was with us and preached a wonderful message. It inspired us and made us to search our hearts. Other preachers from over the state were with us. God is blessing the district. Most every church has had a successful revival this year. We began our revival at the close of the meeting. About twenty-three were saved, several sanctified and about four filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother Mauldin Ray, a fifteen-year-old evangelist of Huffman, Ark., did the preaching. Pray for us at Nettleton; we are building a new church.—A. J. Allen, pastor, Box 180.

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DORA, Ala.—We just closed a good revival at Flat Creek, Ala. Church of God. There was a goodly number who prayed through. Eighteen were baptized in water and fifteen added to the church. The Lord is surely blessing our work. Brother L. W. Ledbetter did the preaching. We are looking for a good year at Flat Creek the coming year. Pray for us. —L. B. Fendley, pastor.

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BLAIRSVILLE, Ga. — I thank and praise God for being so good to us and for His healing power. Three years ago I had a cancer on my face. Brother Thad Puckett was our pastor at that time. Brother Puckett anointed me and they laid hands on me in the name of the Lord, and praise God, I was healed. He has healed me many times. He saved, sanctified and filled me with the precious Holy Ghost several years ago and I'm not tired of the way yet, but grow more determined each day to go all the way with Jesus. Praise His wonderful name.

Brother Puckett has just closed a week's revival here. The Lord blessed all the way through. Three received the Holy Ghost and a goodly number were saved. We thank God for sending Brother Puckett to run a revival here. He is a wonderful worker for the Lord. Please pray for me for I need the prayers of all the Christian people.—Mrs. Lena Reece, Rt. 1.

N. CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — On Sept. 24 one of North Chattanooga's greatest revivals closed. Brother Thea Jones, evangelist of Covington, Ky., was in charge. The services were truly wonderful and each message was brought under the mighty anointing of the Holy Ghost. In a service a ball of fire was seen by several and the Lord's presence was so great that souls came rushing to the altar. A message was given in tongues, Brother Jones receiving the interpretation and then falling under the power of God. Surely God was in our midst and people were afraid to leave the building. During the five weeks' revival about one hundred were saved, fifty-six filled with the Holy Ghost, forty-eight added to the church and eighty-two baptized in water. The attendance was good from the beginning and we were soon unable to accommodate the crowds.—Mary Bradford.

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PUNTA GORDA, Fla.—We praise the Lord for a wonderful six weeks' revival that has been the cause of eighteen stepping out for Jesus and accepting Him for their personal Savior, nine of whom received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and eleven baptized in water by Brother H. L. Chesser, our district pastor. There are others who have started seeking but have not been saved yet but are determined to make the run a successful one.

The revival held by Brother A. N. Daniel was also a feast for the soul for the ones who were already serving God.

We had all-day service last Sunday with a large crowd. There were about five speakers before the baptizing and a wonderful farewell service Sunday night. We thank the people of other places for the way they cooperated with us, especially Nocatee, Arcadia and Ft. Myers. Pray for us down here in Punta Gorda that God will bless.—Mrs. Lillie Powell.

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GADSDEN, Ala.—The revival here at the Church of God closed Sunday night, Sept. 24. Brother W. E. Hodo did the preaching. There were six saved, five sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, nine baptized and three added to the great Church of God. The Lord surely blessed the saints of God here. We praise God for our pastor, Brother W. L. Williamson. He is a real man of God and is loved by everyone who knows him. Every child of God who reads this, please pray for God to bless him and his work here. Also pray for me and my home.—Tory Williams, 708 Rogers St.

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EAST LYNN, W. Va.—A wonderful revival just closed at the Church of God at East Lynn, W. Va. with Brother Henry Swanson in charge. There were sixteen saved, fifteen baptized in water, four filled with the Holy Ghost and twelve added to the church. Brother Swanson is a

wonderful preacher and made many friends at this place. We also want to thank the singers of Hubball, W. Va. who came to help in the service.—Miss Violet Adkins.

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FT. MEADE, Fla.—I praise the Lord for the wonderful three weeks' revival which closed Sunday night with the altar full of seekers. A goodly number was saved and sanctified and about six or seven filled with the Holy Ghost, with the evidence of speaking in other tongues, and seven added to the church.

Praise the good Lord. We had as our evangelist, Brother and Sister John Rhoden, and children of Frostproof. I believe it was one of the best revivals ever held in Ft. Meade. Sometimes the Holy Ghost took charge of the service and we didn't have any preaching. The Lord worked wonders, whereof we are glad. Sister Rhoden did some of the best preaching it seems I ever heard and some of the best singing. Oh glory, glory! I can hear the children singing now, "I'd rather be on the inside looking out than to be on the outside looking in." Hallelujah! I can feel something now, can't you? Praise the Lord.

Well, I can't stop without saying something about our good pastor, Brother M. M. Thomas, one of the best men I ever knew, a man after God's own heart. He has been with us about five years and we hope we can get him back with us another year, if it's the Lord's will. May the Lord bless you. Pray for me that I may get closer to the Lord and be a soul winner for Him.—L. A. Devane.

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SELMER, Tenn. — We just closed a week's meeting. Our pastor, Brother W. F. Willis, did the preaching. He surely preached some wonderful sermons. One was saved and the saints all greatly blessed and encouraged to press forward. Brother Willis surely has been a blessing to Piney Grove church. He stood by the church. May God bless him in the work. We believe he is a real man of God. Well, praise the Lord, dear saints, please pray for me that I will live humble and true till Jesus comes or calls.—Mrs. Esby Estes, Rt. 1.

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LYNCH, Ky.—The Church of God at Lynch, Ky. is greatly revived. We praise God for sending Brother Virgil Tapscott of Columbia, Ky. to our church here at Lynch for a two weeks' meeting. Oh, we are so thankful to the Lord for the real good preaching he did. If there is any church that needs feeding with real good spiritual food, you will do well in getting Brother Virgil Tapscott of Columbia, Ky. We surely want him again after the Assembly.

We also love our pastor, Brother W. B. Stone. He is worthy of our support. He really has the church at heart just as all good pastors should. The church here is coming on top for God.—Richard Harris, Box 746.

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DODDSVILLE, Miss. — I praise our great King, He is so wonderful. I do love to serve Him in the beauty of holiness. I appreciate the great Church of God. I am so glad I saw the light on holiness and accepted it. We parents have such a responsibility to bring our children up in the way they should go. If we don't train them when they are small, we can't expect them to live right when they are grown up.

I thank the Lord for a few nights' service we have had, conducted by Sister M. A. Adams of West Memphis, Ark. She surely is fine. We have learned to love her very much. I believe she is a real child of God. Pray for us to be humble.—Nannie E. Ellis, Rt. 1, Box 346.

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SALE CREEK, Tenn.—Dear readers, we just closed an old time Pentecostal revival at the Church of God last Saturday night, Sept. 30, near Sale Creek with Brother Herbert Giles doing the preaching. Fourteen were saved, fifteen sanctified and twelve baptized with the Holy Ghost. Brother Giles surely did some good preaching and the revival went four weeks. We had the Lord's Supper and feet washing the following Saturday night. Pray for us at Sale Creek.—Roy Dagnan, pastor.

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TAYLORSVILLE, N. C. — We have just closed a two weeks' revival, one of the best that we have ever had. There were six saved, six sanctified and eight filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother and Sister T. J. Looney of Mount Holly, N. C. did some good preaching, also Brother George Lemons of Lenoir, N. C. We surely thank God for the way He blessed in the revival. The little church is going over the top. Our Sunday School is increasing and the Lord is still blessing. Also we thank God for our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister A. B. Carter. He is a real man of God and we all love them very much.—Mr. and Mrs. Earl E. Miller, Box 124.

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TERRE HAUTE, Ind.—A successful revival has been conducted at the Church of God at Terre Haute, Indiana. The state evangelist, Mary E. Brooks, was in charge. Each evening inspiring messages were delivered and many souls were blessed. The interest was intense and people attended regularly to be encouraged by the words of our evangelist. The old time gospel draws people to Him who is able to deliver from sin. Some over twenty received all three blessings and several were added to the church.

The pastor, Brother Floyd Standifer, assisted each evening with special singing and there was splendid cooperation. The work is progressing nicely at Terre Haute and we desire the prayers of the saints that God will continue to bless in His cause.—Thelma L. Bridwell.

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SAUL, Ky—We have closed a four weeks' successful revival at Saul, Ky. Brother Pearl Frazier of Mill Pond, Ky. was in charge. He and his wife worked hard. About twenty were saved, seven baptized with the Holy Ghost, ten sanctified, eleven baptized in water and nine added to the church. We surely praise God for the wonderful work He has done in this revival.—Carnie N. Hayes, clerk.

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DRAKETOWN, Ga.—We thank God for the successful revival here. Brother Bolt of Lindale, Ga. came here and conducted a revival, assisted by the pastor, Brother Maxwell, of Aragon, Ga. The Lord sent a Pentecostal revival which stirred the hearts of many, for which we thank God. The Lord surely blesses about this place; we were wonderfully blessed with good singers and good musicians, for which we give God the praise. God swept conviction over the audience. Fifteen were saved, eight sanctified, seven filled with the Holy Ghost and four added to the church. We thank God for men like Brothers Bolt and Maxwell who are willing to sacrifice their jobs for lost souls, to rescue them from destruction.—F. S. George.

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ONEONTA, Ala.—The Lord wonderfully blessed at Dailey's Chapel during the three weeks' revival that recently closed, with the pastor, Brother F. M. Sides, doing the preaching. It has been said that Dailey's Chapel was dead, but God began to bless in a special way from the very beginning. Brother Sides preached under a special anointing, and conviction was written on the faces of the people. The second night of the meeting the altar was filled with seekers. During the meeting fourteen were saved, six sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost and five baptized in water. The people, saints and sinners alike, really learned to love Brother and Sister Sides. Pray for our little church at Dailey's Chapel and for the new converts, that they will stand true and seek a closer walk.—Mrs. W. H. Diggs, clerk.

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BUSHNELL, Fla.—Brother Paul Taylor, Linden district evangelist, is in a revival which is being conducted under the district tent. Brother and Sister Taylor are greatly concerned about lost souls and are working to see people saved. The crowds are good but it seems the people are so unconcerned about salvation. There are a few seekers in the altar some nights and the Lord blesses. We are

thankful for the visiting singers, preachers and workers from the other churches who have been coming over and helping us. Please help us pray that the people will get under such conviction that they will seek God.—Lucile Smate.

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BRODHEAD, Ky.—We sound a note of praise for a wonderful revival which started Aug. 13 and ran three weeks, conducted by one of our able Kentucky evangelists, Brother Waldon Asher, of Girdler, Ky.

The revival started with miraculous healings, with the power falling. The altar was filled with hungry souls for salvation. The services seemed to get better all the way through. The Word was preached with such power; men were slain around the altar. Twenty-five were converted, fourteen sanctified, fifteen filled with the Holy Ghost, eleven baptized in water and nineteen added to the church. We had feet washing. The saints were greatly blessed and some of the saints renewed the covenant in tithing, desiring to be loyal members of the Church of God.

The evangelist seemed to appreciate and enjoy the fellowship and cooperation of our good pastor, Brother Boyd Denham. Only time and eternity will reveal the good done in this revival. There were also messages in tongues, and interpretations. It was wonderful! We request the prayers of all saints that God will continue to bless our little church here at Brodhead, Ky.—James Bishop, clerk, Star Route 2, Box 28.

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MONCLO, W. Va.—Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Sunday night, Sept. 3, we closed one of the greatest revivals Monclo Church of God has ever known. Sister Catherine Hyre, accompanied by her mother, conducted this revival for four weeks. The Lord was with us and blessed in a wonderful way. There were thirty-four saved, eleven sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost, fifteen baptized in water and eight added to the church. Our Sunday School, Y. P. E. and church in general have been greatly revived and our community is greatly blessed. We are really praising God for it all. We thank God for our good pastor, Brother J. W. Vance, and his family. They surely have been good and faithful. Pray for us that God will continue to bless.—J. F. Trusley.

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PINE GROVE, W. Va.—We have just closed a good revival here at Pine Grove. Our church needed a real heart-searching time as we had become slack in our duty toward God, so the Lord spoke to Brother and Sister Long of Wyandotte, Mich. and laid it on their hearts to bring Sister Bertha Burkette of Wellington, Ohio, down to Pine Grove for a revival. God surely came on the scene. Sister Burkette delivered some real heart-searching messages every night for four weeks and the altar was filled each night with hungry hearts. Brother and Sister Long are real altar workers and surely know how to lead people to a deeper walk with God. Sister Burkette is an old-fashioned evangelist; she knows how to get right down where we live and can bring you to the front with the Word of God. She organized a Willing Workers Band while here and helped us get started making clothespin bags, and the first day and half of Saturday a little girl twelve years old sold thirty-one at twenty-five cents each. That is enough to put us older ones to work. We appreciate all God did for us in this great time of blessings. Many were reclaimed, some were saved and sanctified, four received the Holy Ghost and the church was revived. People shouted and praised God who had sat still for years. We still feel the fire burning in our souls.—Mrs. L. O. Cain, clerk.

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THOMASVILLE, Ala. — Praise the Lord for salvation, for saving, sanctifying and giving me the sweet Holy Ghost. He is all to me. He said He would be a present help in time of need. Praise His precious name. Please pray earnestly for God to strengthen me and help me to do His will.

We have just closed a revival on this district with success. Praise God. One received the Holy Ghost, two were sanctified and there are more seekers. Please pray that we will go out in the highways and hedges and compel them to come in. We hope to get a new church on this district this year.—J. W. McIntyre.

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LEBANON, Ga.—On Aug. 21 we closed one of the most successful revivals in the history of the Church here, which is twenty-seven years. The Lord was in every service in a marvelous way. Sister Mable Branch of Ensley, Ala., did the preaching. Sisters Gertrude and Linnie Newman and Brother Redus Newman assisted with the music and personal work. Over twenty-five were saved, nineteen sanctified, sixteen filled with the Holy Ghost and seven added to the church here, two more going to Canton church and more expected to come in later. Eight were baptized in water. The church was revived and the country stirred for miles. We had large crowds. One has received the Holy Ghost since the revival closed. Pray for the work here. — Mrs. Elsie Hause, secretary and treasurer.

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HAZELWOOD, N C.—We thank the Lord for a revival at this place conducted by Brother Roy L. Davis. Not so many accepted the Lord but we consider it a great revival. The saints were greatly encouraged. How I thank God for Church of God preachers who will preach the Word of God without fear or favor. Brother Davis certainly will. He is filled with zeal and power of the Holy Ghost. We are expecting results from this revival yet. Please pray for us. We are just few in number and the devil does all he can against us, so help us pray.—Mrs. W. P. Wiggins.

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SENECA, S. C.—We began a revival at the Church of God at Seneca, S. C. Aug. 30 with Brooks Youngblood and Ferris Moore, better known as "the Happy Two" doing the preaching. We are having a landslide for Seneca. There have already been nine saved, six sanctified and two filled with the Holy Ghost and at this writing the revival is still going and may go until the Assembly.

These men are noble young men. They sing special songs, many of them their own compositions. They are really consecrated to God and His cause.—James W. Moore, 36 Gamble St.

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Found the Real Way

POST, Tex.—Dear brothers and sisters in Christ. I praise my dear Savior and King for His goodness to us. At Slaton, Tex., on Mother's Day, May 14, at an all-day service, I was under deep conviction. The following Friday night Jesus gloriously saved me while at my bedside. I was sanctified at the altar in the Church of God in Post, Tex., at the close of a fellowship meeting. He also poured out the blessed Holy Ghost on me at the home of our beloved pastor, J. Harve Mathis.

I have been afflicted with asthma since I was eighteen months old. My people got everything possible for asthma, spending much money on me, still I got no relief. When I was thirty-three years of age I was sent to this climate. I got real relief the first night and had relief for four years. I had decided I would have to go to a higher climate. I found the real way to live when I found Jesus.

On the night of May 28, between 1:30 and 2:00 a. m., I smoked my last asthma medicine and I haven't used any since. I have been almost free of asthma until about two or three weeks ago the affliction came back on me. I have really been in misery. The saints would pray and I would get relief for a while, but it would all come back. Anyone who feels led to fast and pray for me, please do so. Also pray for my eyes to be healed. If anyone feels led to send me an anointed cloth I will greatly appreciate it. Also pray that I will serve the Lord and my faith will be increased. If anyone knows Mrs. J. B. Webb, please show this to her or tell her. Her address is Tifton, Ga.—Robert D. Taylor, Box 546, Post, Tex.

REQUESTS

"With thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God," Phil. 4:6.

PRAY FOR:

Unsaved loved ones to be saved.—Mrs. Eva Rochester, Salem, S. C.

Me to be healed of a severe case of asthma.—Mrs. Victory Allen, Rt. 2, Oneonta, Ala.

The healing of my foot; our revival.—Oscar Backman, pastor, Stites, Idaho.

My baby to be healed of bad tonsils. Fast, if led; it will be appreciated.—Mrs. Annie Walker, c|o Henry Randall, Moore Haven, Fla.

My home; God to grant my request.—Nora Smith, Tribbey, Ky..

The healing of my body.—Mrs. Willie Back, Kentucky.

Sister Futch's baby's eyes to be healed.—Annie Collier, Lake Placid, Fla.

Me to be healed and gain strength; the Lord to provide a place for me where I can make a crop and preach and work for the Lord; me and my home. — Lee C. Swinford, Rt. 2, Hazel Green, Ala.

My daughter's side to be healed.—Mrs. J. L. Criner, Rt. 1, Box 57-A, Hurricane, W. Va.

Me to be healed of gallstones of the liver and bladder; my faith to be sufficient.—Solomon Hastings, Rt. 2, Scottsboro, Ala.

God to heal me of ulcerated stomach and weak heart; me to gain my strength. Anointed cloth appreciated. — Mrs. W. W. Pyron, Marvell, Ark.

My daughter to be healed of something like hay fever and asthma and to be saved.—Elizabeth Hickman, 651 Hill St., Kingsport, Tenn.

The healing of Brother Foltz who has a bad kidney condition; his wife who has cancer; the healing of Brother Walker's baby; our church; my body to be strengthened; my mother to be healed.—Mrs. P. R. Walker, Broad St., Newville, Pa.

Unspoken request; the Lord to strengthen me.—Ed J. Marsengill, Newry, S. C.

Unspoken request; me. Fast, if led.—Mattie Ray, Cottonwood, Ala.

My baby to be completely healed.—W. T. Johnson, Marion, Ill.

God to completely and instantly heal me; me to stay humble and lowly; a sister in Christ who is in bad health to be completely healed. Her address is Mrs. L. A. Brown, Nocatee, Fla.—Florida A. Smith, Rt. 1, Box 199, Arcadia, Fla.

Special unspoken request; my daughter to be healed. Her address is Marie Womack, 619 E. Vermont St., Indianapolis, Ind. If there are any Church of God people there, please go pray with her and encourage her.—Mrs. Virgil Tapscott, Columbia, Ky.

My husband and other loved ones to be saved.—Mrs. B. F. McMillion, Prichard, Ala.

Loved ones to be saved; me to be faithful and overcome all trials and tests. Will be glad to hear from young people who can give me encouragement.—Miss Mary Garretson, Besoco, W. Va.

Urgent unspoken request; me to be healed.—Grace Grant, Woodlawn, Va.

Me to be healed of a growth on my eyes; me to be healed of stomach trouble.—John B. Brown, Derby, Ill.

My little grandson who has eczema all over his body to be healed; his father and mother to be saved; my husband to be healed and saved; a friend to be saved; my father to be healed.—Mrs. Bob Douglas, Rt. 2, Box 115, Jellico, Tenn.

The Sunday School here; unspoken request; my body.—Sylvester Williams, Rt. 1, St. George, Ga.

My home and unsaved children; a sister to be healed.—Mrs. Esby Estes, Rt. 1, Selmer, Tenn.

My baby girl who is very sick to be healed; me to have more faith.—Mrs. Roy Morrow, Worley, Ky.

Me to be healed of an injured side caused from a fall.—Enoch Jamison, Sylva, N. C.

Donald Biskner who was in a car wreck and not expected to live to be healed.—L. L. Turner, Flint, Mich.

Brother Pinion's eyes to be healed; my baby's head to be healed; my teeth.—Mrs. J. C. Pinion, Lawrenceburg, Tenn.

My husband to get back to the Lord.—Mrs. Henry Propst, York, S. C.

Mr. Carvin Allen to be healed of a stroke of paralysis.—G. L. Mitchell, Rt. 3, Wadley, Ala.

Me to be healed of heart trouble; unspoken request.—Miss Louise Shaw, Box 248, Valdosta, Ga.

My eight-month-old baby who was operated on for removal of a safety pin; her to be healed of a ruptured incision; a little girl blind in one eye from birth to be healed.—Mrs. Lewis Ferguson, Rt. 1, Troy, Tenn.

My children to be saved.—Mrs. Anna White, Naylor, Mo.

My brother to be healed and saved; me and family to stand true.—Mrs. A. N. Daniel, Manatee, Fla..

Special unspoken request.—Mrs. Elvin Ruark, Pittsville, Md.

My dad's health to be restored; me to be faithful.—W. T. Reeves, Rt. 4, Box 79, Valdosta, Ga.

Mrs. S. J. Thornhill to be healed; my granddad to be healed.—Geneva Morgan, Morgantown, Miss.

My mother who is in a serious condition to be healed; me to receive the Holy Ghost; unsaved loved ones to be saved.—Miss Pearl Webb, Highlands, N. C.

Earl Edmons to be healed of T. B. of the bones and to be saved.—Mrs. D. G. Bozeman, Rt. 1, Star, Miss.

My wife to be healed of cancer of the breast.—Jackson McCarty, Rt. 4, Ada, Okla.

God to heal and save my son; to deliver him of his present troubles; my son-in-law to come back to God.—Julia Shirley, Whitwell, Tenn.

My body to be healed of its afflictions and nervousness; me to be strengthened; my husband to be saved.—Mrs. Gertrude Carnes, Anderson, S. C.

My sons, husband and mother to be saved; one of my sons to find work.—Sister E. L. Smith, 1105 9th St., S. E., Washington, D. C.

Me to be healed and have faith to trust the Lord; me to receive the Holy Ghost and stand true.—Mrs. Nettie Carter, Evening Shade, Ark.

Unspoken request.—Dock T. Webb, Box 304, Phoenix, Ariz.

The healing of my back and head; my son to be saved. Anointed cloth appreciated.—Mrs. Emma Cook, 728 18th St., Manatee, Fla.

The healing of my body of stomach trouble. Anointed cloth appreciated. —Mrs. Nancy Forrest, Eckman, W. Va.

He Is Real to Me

BAINBRIDGE, Ga.—I truly praise the Lord for His goodness to me in the past month. I thank Him for the vision I had concerning His Church and how He was soon coming to rapture His saints away from this unfriendly world. We have to be of one mind and one accord and recognize His name, to have all the gifts that belong to the Church of God. Bless His name, I can feel His presence now. Hallelujah! I praise Him for the way He has healed my body. I thank Him for the demonstration of His mighty power in our home. He healed my little nephew of a broken arm. Thank God, He is so real to me.

We praise the Lord for the four weeks' revival just closed at Bainbridge, Sister Ella Ross evangelist. The Lord certainly blessed. Eight were saved, three sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost. Hearts were stirred and several had their joy restored to them. Five were baptized in water and four added to the church. Pray that the Lord will send Sister Ross back sometime. We learned to love her.

We praise the Lord for our good pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister O'Neal, for their faithfulness and good love and fellowship. I pray that the Lord through the state overseer will send him back to Bainbridge for another year that we might pull together and be faithful soldiers of the cross and win a few more souls before Jesus comes.—Mrs. J. W. Layten.

OBITUARIES

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints," Psa. 116:15.

CARNAGEY

Mrs. B. F. Carnagey, member of the Church of God, departed this life Sept. 28, 1939; age fifty-two years.—Her husband and family, Harrison, Idaho.

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SHIFFLET

Ollie Bell (Brewer) Shifflet, member of the Church of God at Middlesboro, Ky., passed away April 22, 1939; age thirty-five years, eleven months and ten days. Pray God's blessings on her lonely husband and children.—C. W. Everly, Middlesboro, Ky.

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JOHNSON

Mrs. Ernest Johnson, one of our most devoted members in the prime of life, departed this life to be with Jesus.—Ethel Thornton, Hope Mills, N. C.

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RUFUS

Little infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus, Varney, W. Va., died, he being only a few days old.—W. Haskell Compton, pastor.

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ROEBUCK

Brother J. E. Roebuck, charter member of the Church of God at Buford, Ga. and the first to break the membership circle by death, died Aug. 13, 1939; age forty-four years, ten months and seven days.—Mrs. L. A. Duran, Buford, Ga.

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MORRIS

Lucy Jane (Joca) Morris, our precious mother, died Sept. 27, 1939; age sixty-one years, ten months and seven days. She trusted God to the end.—A daughter, Mrs. Ann McCullough, Rt. 1, Sarah, Miss.

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GOINS

Mrs. Lucy (Crane) Goins, faithful member of the Cleveland, Tenn. Church of God for about twenty-five years, passed away June 24, 1939; age sixty-four years, three months and two days.—S. W. Latimer.

State Convention a Success

KENVIR, Ky.—Dear readers, the little church at Kenvir, Ky. is progressing nicely with Bishop Ed Johnson, pastor. He has been our pastor for the last nine or ten years. We, the saints at Kenvir, Harlan, Packard, Bunny Blue and Yancey, thank the Lord for our pastor and for our wonderful new Church of God He has given us. We were able to entertain our state convention with Bishop David LaFleur, state overseer.

We thank the Lord for Bishop Curry, General Overseer of colored work, and Elder Davis of the Bahama Islands, who were present with us during our convention This was the first state convention and we thank the Lord that it was a success. Pray for our little band of saints.—Sister Adrana Finley (colored), clerk.

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Thank God For the Evangel

MOUNTAINAIR, N. Mex. — Dear brothers and sisters, I feel that I should write a few words of praise to the glory of God. I praise the Lord for what He has been to me. If it wasn't for His mercy and love I could not be standing, as we are the only people in this community who believe this way of holiness.

We have no Church of God or preacher of the Church of God here. We attend the Assembly of God as that is the only Pentecostal church around here and it is about nine miles from here, but I truly thank God for the Evangel. I have been so encouraged since I have been reading it. It surely has been a blessing to me.

I feel that God is calling me again for His service. Pray for me that I may overcome anything that be in the way to hinder. Pray that He can have His way in my life.—Mrs. G. Leyva.

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Faithfulness Brings Results

MARKED TREE, Ark.—Brother Paul Phillips, a member of the Church of God here, organized a Sunday School at Dubard Chapel, about eight miles from here, in May of this year, using Church of God literature. He felt the call of God and kept going to service each Sunday afternoon there, also had preaching service after the Sunday School was over.

In July the community erected a nice brush arbor and Brother Phillips began a revival meeting which lasted about three weeks. He had the cooperation of a number of saints from the Marked Tree church, especially the Friendly Four quartet. We feel there are lasting results going to be obtained from this meeting. There were about twenty or more saved, two filled with the Holy Ghost, some sanctified and eleven baptized in water. They are interested in the Church of God. Some are considering coming into the church, others are wanting a church set in order in their community just as soon as they feel they can support one.

God has wrought a great work in Brother Paul Phillips' life. He has a desire to go forward and do more for God and His Church. Listen, dear saints everywhere, if you don't believe God is blessing in dear old Arkansas, come and see. We covet your prayers.—W. C. Howard, pastor, Marked Tree church.

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Want to Die in the Faith

NEWBERRY, Fla.—I praise God for salvation. I thank Him for the way He is blessing us. We are glad for the way the Lord hears and answers prayer. He is the only one whom we can look to for everything. He is worth while praising. My husband is saved and is praying for the Holy Ghost. Please pray for him. I want to die in the faith. God's Word tells us without faith it is impossible to please Him, so we should strive for the faith which was once delivered to the saints. I can't tell the joy that has been in my life since I have been in this good way.

I thank the Lord for the revival which we had at Newberry and for our pastor, Brother John Stevens, and Brother Ellis Chesser, two dear brothers of God. I thank God for a few humble Christians at Newberry. I also thank Him for our little Sunday School, and our superintendent, Brother U. D. Nettles.

I want all the saints to pray that our little church will stay on fire for God. Pray for me to live humble before God that He can have His way in my life and that I will stay on the firing line for Jesus and His Church. If any of you feel like writing me, I will be glad to hear from you.—Mrs. W. T. Chance, Box 133.

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Blessed Me in My Work

SOUTH NORFOLK, Va. — I am so glad I am saved, sanctified and have the blessed Holy Ghost. I thank the dear Lord for blessing me so in what work I have done this summer. He has blessed a few souls. I want every one to pray for me that the dear Lord will heal my body that I will be able to go out and preach the gospel. There is nothing that satisfies my heart like doing what He has called me to do.

Please pray that He will heal my body. —E. M. Horne, 1040 Rodgers St.

Mission Service in Barbados, B.W.I.

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handmaidens that though they spoke for only ten, five and fifteen minutes approximately, respectively, the Word was with such power and grace that the assembled brethren and friends were mightily moved. The songs of the choir were rendered spiritually and well. A song by our deacon was mightily blessed to the souls of the gathering. Truly the Spirit sang through the brother. The missionary report was also very encouraging. Commenting remarks on the part of visitors were to the effect that this missionary meeting was both outstanding and reminded one of the early days of the Christian mission in this island. That is over forty years ago. Time or eternity alone will reveal all that this meeting meant to us.

We can truly say, "The Lord hath visited his people." The waters had risen higher.